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2013 USAF International Affairs Excellence Award

Congratulations to Lieutenant Colonel William Percival, Commander, 36th Mobility Response Squadron, Andersen Air Force Base, Guam from 1 January 2013 to 31 December 2013. He expertly led a squadron of highly-skilled Air Mobility experts with 24 different Air Force Specialty Codes in advancing multi-national engagements throughout the Pacific Command area of operations. Additionally, Lt Col Percival was chosen by the Australian Army Joint Task Force to command the Tactical Area of Operations where he supported 6000 US and Australian Airmen and Soldiers displaying superb joint multi-national leadership.



Left to right: AF Association Chairman of the Board George K. Mueller, Secretary of the Air Force Deborah Lee James, Lt Col William Percival, Deputy Undersecretary of the Air Force, International Affairs Ms. Heidi H. Grant, and Air Force Chief of Staff General Mark A. Welsh III

USAF International Affairs Excellence Award Nominees

All 2013 USAF International Affairs Excellence Award nominees have significantly contributed to the USAF ability to build global partnerships, international relationships, and partnership capacity.

- Maj Randall Allen, AFDW
- SMSgt Jennifer Blackmarr, AFGSC
- Capt Richard DeRohan, USTRANSCOM
- SMSgt Kimberly Grewe, AFSPC
- Ms. Amy Hermann-Spears, AFMC
- Lt Col Brian Krietlow, EUCOM
- Lt Col Thomas Morgan, USAFE-AFAFRICA
- Lt Col Benjamin Morley, AFRC
- Maj Paul Morris, AETC
- Maj Christian Ogronsky, DSCA
- Lt Col Rex Saukkonen, SOCEUR
- Col Chris Stricklin, NATC-A
- Lt Col Todd Sullivan, CENTCOM
- Col Paul Szostak, SOUTHCOM
- Lt Col Nathan Thomas, ANG
- Mr. Steven Tinkey, SAF/IA
- Capt Harry Trosch IV, AFSOC
- Lt Col Juan Ubiera, AFMSA
- Col Cornelia Weiss, AFLOA
- Maj Nicholas Wisniewski, of SC-Iraq
- TSgt La'akea Young, AF ISR

IA Community News

Air Combat Command/International Affairs (ACC/IA) hosts weeklong Air Advisor Academy Mobile Training Team



ACC/IA had the pleasure of hosting the Air Advisor Academy's Mobile Training Team this past February at Joint Base Langley-Eustis, VA. Forty eight Airmen, Air Force civilians and contractors from ACC, AFNORTH, and the ANG received a weeklong Air Advisor (AA) course specifically engineered for the SOUTHCOM and NORTHCOM AORs. Attendees were taught professional methods to effectively, legally and safely apply their skills and experience to partner nation environments they may one day operate in. Country specific instruction and discussion on Mexico, Colombia, and Chile helped foster a more intensive cross-cultural understanding of the region. Instructors from the Joint Forces Staff College in Norfolk, VA were also on hand to discuss Interagency coordination and State Department operations. ACC/IA hopes to host additional AA

MTT courses in the future and highly encourages other internationally-focused organizations to consider hosting an AA MTT at their location. Please contact AA MTT at Phone: 609-754-6020 or email:

usafairadvisoracademy.aaa.workflow@us.af.mil

SAF/IA attends AIR 14 Swiss Airshow on 100th Anniversary of Swiss Military Aviation

Ms. Heidi H. Grant, Deputy Under Secretary of the Air Force, International Affairs (SAF/IA) had the opportunity to attend the AIR 14 Swiss Airshow this past August at Payerne Air Base, Switzerland. The airshow was spread out over two weekends celebrating the 100th Anniversary of Military Aviation in Switzerland, 50 years of the Patrouille Suisse demo team, and 25 years of the PC-7 demo team. The airshow events provided SAF/IA the opportunity to meet with the US Ambassador to Switzerland, Commander of the Swiss Air Force, and senior leaders from Air Forces of nine countries from multiple AORs at an event where there is typically little, if any, USG presence. Ad hoc engagements during the first weekend enabled SAF/IA to meet with retired European air chiefs who are now Chiefs of Defense in their respective countries, reinforcing relationships at the DoD level. During the second weekend, the static display of a pair of USAFE F-15D Eagles from RAF Lakenheath provided a complimentary presence of US hardware at the show. Alongside international demo teams such as the British Red Arrows and the Italian Frecce Tricolori were foreign partner fighter jets participating from The Netherlands and Sweden. This event, which took the Swiss Air Force three years to plan and saw over 110,000 spectators during its two-weekend run, was a success for SAF/IA in terms of engagement and presence in the European AOR.



Air Force Global Partnering Opportunity List (GPOL)

As current U.S. combat operations demonstrate, the Air Force continues to fight in coalitions to ensure global security. Our “deep bench” of ready, willing, and capable international partners is proving to be an essential element to today’s successes and will become increasingly important as our service becomes smaller. Sustaining or expanding this “bench” of partners requires that all Air Force security cooperation activities be planned and synchronized with U.S. Embassy and COCOM partner nation engagement plans. To enable this effort, SAF/IA has developed and implemented a series of foundational security cooperation strategy documents. These include the Air Force Global Partnership Strategy (AFGPS) and the classified Security Cooperation Engagement Guidance (SCEG)

documents for the Air, Space, and Cyberspace Domains. Then, most recently, SAF/IA worked directly with HAF and MAJCOM staffs to develop the first ever Air Force Global Partnering Opportunity List (GPOL).

The GPOL itself is a prioritized list of USAF-desired countries and air force capabilities that, if developed over time, would mitigate USAF force presentation risks and enhance the USAF's ability to support COCOM mission requirements. Over the past year, the SAF/IAGS team conducted extensive data collection and analysis on the existing capabilities of our partner air forces around the world, and compiled this into an Airman

focused analysis. Finally, after comparing this analysis against known USAF operational risks, SAF/IA developed six individual COCOM country and capability specific GPOL documents.



SAF/IA's intention with these six COCOM specific documents is to support you, our Air Force security cooperation experts, as you make decisions on strategic engagement opportunities with foreign partners in your AORs. They're intended to be additional sources of input for your consideration as you prioritize and pursue your security cooperation goals and objectives. These GPOL documents are currently in the final stages of coordination at the Air Staff and will be available for distribution following SECAF and CSAF approval. If you want to know more about the GPOL or any of SAF/IA's other strategy documents, contact SAF/IAGS at usaf.pentagon.saf-ia.mbx.saf-iags-workflow@mail.mil and they will be able to answer your questions.

SAF/IA Global Master of Arts Program (GMAP)

The Global Master of Arts Program (GMAP) is a 12-month, three trimester, course of study in International Affairs leading to a Global Master of Arts degree from the Fletcher School of Law and Diplomacy at Tufts University sponsored by the Defense Security Cooperation Agency (DSCA). GMAP is designed for Foreign Military Sales (FMS) Administrative/Case or Operations and Maintenance (O&M) funded mid-level managerial and professional civilian personnel within the Security Cooperation Arena. Military applicants are considered on a case-by-case basis. The purpose of this program is to improve the quality and professionalism of the International Affairs Workforce, grow the leadership of tomorrow, and build personal relationships among mid-level management throughout DSCA, the Military Departments (MILDEPS), other federal agencies, international FMS customers, and defense industry organizations.

We caught up with recent GMAP Class of 2014 Graduate Mr. Anton Malkowski to find out about his experience.

1) **How did completing GMAP help you in your job with the Air Force?** First, the coursework provided me with a deeper understanding of the connections between international politics, economics, and security. I gained a greater appreciation for the work we accomplish in SAF/IA (and USAF International Affairs as a whole) and how it relates to U.S. strategy and security, but also global security and relations with other nations. Second, the networking opportunities GMAP provided will be beneficial long into the future. GMAP allowed me to establish personal relationships with numerous distinguished and highly competent individuals, both in my cohort and among the faculty, from many different fields. I have already reached out to them for their perspective, advice, and assistance.

2) **How did the residency enhance the experience?** The three residencies are crucial to the learning environment and give participants the opportunity to interact with some of the most distinguished professionals in their fields on a frequent and personal level which allows them to form relationships-not only in the classroom- but in a relaxed environment. In GMAP, participants routinely share experiences and have candid discussions with these individuals including ambassadors and Nobel Laureates.

3) *Would you recommend GMAP to a colleague who inquired about it? Why?*

Yes. GMAP provided some of my best personal and professional experiences; however, GMAP is not for everyone. I would advise a colleague to seriously consider the challenges of the program prior to starting. The time commitment required is great and it is made more difficult by having to complete the program while working full time. Also, throughout the academic year it is highly likely that personal commitments, wants, and needs will need to take a back seat to the demands of GMAP. However, I am confident that anyone who can manage these challenges and graduate will be grateful they participated in the GMAP program.

The Class of 2015 GMAP Select is Valerie Kimball of SAF/IAGR.

GMAP is currently on hold for the academic year 2015-2016.

International Affairs Certification Program

February and June Review Board Results

In February and June 2014, the IA Certification Review Board met and approved the following applicants.

Congratulations to all!

February 2014 IACP Recipients		
Level 1		
Amy N. Adducchio	Maj Kristy D. Steenberge	Franklin D. Rand
TSgt René A. Anderson	Kaitlyn F. Taulbee	Richard M. Rodriguez
Maj Mica L. Ashmore	James W. Thomas	Paul V. Ruh III
Bryan K. Ball	Robin M. Tigler	Daniel E. Segno
Annette M. Bertke	Adam L. Willner	Lt Col Charles C. Smith
Noranne L. Bever	Rebecca A. Workman	Cynthia K. Smith
Jennifer L. Brown	Teresa L. Yantis	Lt Col N. Aric Southworth
SMSgt Neil W. Carlson	Jeffrey M. Zeller	Desirée E. Tryloff
Dolores M. Carter	Level 2	Maj Lewis M. Vaughn III
MSgt Christian E. Castillo	Foris Anctil	Aida Villa
Richard A. Chaltry	Lawrence F. Audet, Jr.	Maj Geoffrey M. Young
Neha Chandra	Capt Christopher M. Bailey	Randy L. Wells
Capt Sofia Ciro	Richard M. Basak	Albert D. Zuniga
Michael P. Cosimo	Alan K. Beaty	Level 3
Daniel J. Duckro	Adam Berhanu	Manuel Aranda
Michele M. Eveland	Craig R. Black	Tyrone J. Barbary
MSgt Daniel Fernandez	Mahlon M. Burket	Maj Alula B. Berhane
Maj Luis A. Garcia	Lore R. Chapman	Paul T. Bigelow
Tracy A. Garcia	Lt Col Keith A. Compton, Jr.	Joseph F. Bradley, Jr
Karen S. Grube	Rowel D. Corpuz	Maj John E. Brownell
Stephanie R. Hatfield	Lt Col Luke C. Cropsey	Lt Col Philip M. Cali
Jason P. Haynes	Raymond L. Davidson	John A. Castillo
Rakesha L. Holmes	Jimmy G. England	Col David H. Dahl
Maj Jamie M. Johnson	David B. Evans	J. Steven Fuss
Capt Elaine R. Maxwell	Robb J. Fortkamp	Roslyn Golding
Lori L. McCullough	Heidi H. Gibson	Pamela Green
Charles A. Metts II	Barbara L. Henkaline	C. Jason Henry
Christopher M. Migala	Jonathan B. Ireland	Brenda J. Hermanns
Sarah L. Miller	Eric J. Jenkins	Robert B. Holdsworth
Peter E. Murphy	Timothy M. Johnson	Angela L. Hunter
Robert P. Perretta, Jr.	Dr. Chalon Keller	Kevin W. Lackey
	Julia C. Kerby	Joseph Lanzetta

Dawn M. Potter	Maria G. Knight	Betty L. Lilly
SMSGT Anthony F. Przymus	Judy L. Kolker	Peter C. McHugh
James C. Pullen, Jr.	Thomas E. Lewis	Lindsay M. Oudit
Justin R. Regazzi	Jose C. Mandujano	Christian R. Paasch
Michael J. Robblee	Maj Scott E. McIntosh	Heidi A. Rigsbee
Ellen B. Romines	Lt Col Robert D. Morris	Ronald A. Sandoval
1Lt Bryan R. Sanchez	Maj Jonathan S. Navarra	Richard G. Saxon II
Kyle E. Scheese	Maj Jose L. Orozco	Dawn E. Stetler
Adam M. Scheetz	Steven W. Peden	Cynthia A. Warr
James R. Sloat	Abbigail H. Pogorzelski	Col Bruce W. Willett
Brianna M. Steele	John W. Poindexter	Lt Col Shon P. Williams

June 2014 IACP Recipients

Tier 1	Luiza M. Picanso	Monika K. Mapley
Michael F. Adams	Heather K. Ridenour	Col Petra McGregor
Michael J. Arellano	Lisa M. Roth	Jody L. Munson
SSgt Christian M. Baldwin	Michael D. Skaggs	T. Geoffrey Powviriya
Rachel E. Begley	Ryan J. Stritzinger	Col Kevin J. Schields
James E. Brown	Maj Dabney B. Timmerman	Donna M. Schulist
Jeffrey G. Brown	Karen D. Trout	Kim L. Selway
Benjamin D. Carpenter	Rebecca H. Ventress	Lt Col Christopher A. Stewart
Sandra M. Chess	Thomas M. Weiss	Deborah C. Stueve
Amanda E. Dennis	Samuel M. Williams, Sr.	Susan M. Wagner
Ann-Elizabeth Fox	Sophia L. Williams	Tier 3
Jill H. Goff	Rick L. Wilson	Steven J. Armitage
Robert W. Harder	Tier 2	Roland S. Corporal, Jr.
Nathan J. Johnson	Dana R. Aberle	Marsha L. Crockran
Timothy J. Jones	Catherine E. Anderson	Thomas J. Gill
Mary L. Koogler	Susan M. Ashworth	John W. Hagin
Kelsi A. Kustelski	Ariel A. Bambrough	Anton X. Malkowski
Duane E. Long	Scott E. Boyd	Dawn R. Morgan
Albert F. Lowas III	Capt Roy R. Byrd	Lt Col Eric B. Moses
Kelly L. Lucarelli	Anthony L. Davis	Maj Karen L. Nuccitelli
Deborah Manning	Lt Col Kerry W. Evans	Lt Col Jeffrey A. Powell
Colton L. Messer	MSgt Joseph C. Frantz	S. David Spoon
Lt Col Christopher B. Morris	Philip C. Gillaugh	Keith A. Stephens
Mick M. Moseley	Allan D. Harris	Maj Marc A. Torosian
Jennifer M. Oda	William L. Kelleher	Rudolph A. Wiechert
Johnna M. Peachey	Lisa M. Larkin	Mark A. Witherspoon
Keith W. Phillips	David K. Lawson	Albert D. Zuniga

Results of the 31 October 2014 Board are pending. The next IACP Review Board is scheduled for 27 February 2015.

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